GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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WATER HARVESTING BY MADHYA PRADESH
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the total water harvesting area in Madhya Pradesh under the agreement reached between Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh in respect of irrigation projects constructed on river Chambal flowing through Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan and number of anicuts, small and medium dams constructed illegally by Madhya Pradesh under the projects;

(b) the amount of water stored through illegal water harvesting;

(c) whether any request has been received from the Government of Rajasthan to dismantle the said water harvesting structures;

(d) if so, whether the quantum of water taken illegally by Madhya Pradesh through the said harvesting is proposed to be deducted from the share of Madhya Pradesh; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) & (b) The Government of Rajasthan has reported that the Government of Madhya Pradesh has constructed more than 152 check Dams, Anicuts and Barrages in the catchment area of Gandhi Sagar Dam to impound more than 1.00 Million Acre Feet of water.

(c) The Government of Rajasthan has requested the Government of Madhya Pradesh for dismantling the water harvesting structures lying in the upstream of Gandhi Sagar Dam. However, the Central Government has not received any such request from the Government of Rajasthan.

(d)&(e) The Government of Rajasthan proposes to deduct the amount of water diverted by Madhya Pradesh from its share. It has been decided during the meeting of Standing Committee of Madhya Pradesh- Rajasthan Inter-State Control Board that if water in Rana Pratap Sagar and Gandhi Sagar dams is not sufficient, then 50 per cent of water impounded in structures in catchment area of Gandhi Sagar Dam will be deducted from the share of Madhya Pradesh at Parwati Aquaduct.